



August 2019

# This Month in Human Services Transportation

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Congratulations to the Federal Transit Administration Section 5310 Grant-Awarded Agencies!**

We would like to congratulate the following recipients on their awarded projects:

ACCEL, Arizona Spinal Cord Injury Association, Beacon Group, Benevilla, Chandler Gilbert Arc, City of Glendale, City of Phoenix, City of Tolleson, Civitan Foundation, Daring Adventures, Foothills Caring Corps, Gompers, Independence Plus, Lifewell Behavioral Wellness, Nobody's Perfect, Northern Arizona University: Civic Service Institute, Northwest Valley Connect, Scottsdale Training and Rehabilitation Services, The Centers for Habilitation, The Opportunity Tree, Valley Metro, Valley of the Sun YMCA: Outreach Program for Ahwatukee Seniors, VALLEYLIFE

For further information on the application process, please contact Shantel Wyke, Human Services Transportation Intern, at [SWyke@azmag.gov](mailto:SWyke@azmag.gov).

### **Vehicle-Sharing Video!**

Thank you to Chandler-Gilbert Arc and Valley Center of the Deaf for participating in the following video showing the many benefits of vehicle sharing. The video can also be publicly accessed via [this link](#).



## MEETINGS

At the June 5, 2019 **Transportation Ambassador Program** meeting, participants networked, discussed pertinent human services transportation issues, and heard presentations from a variety of speakers. Ron Brooks, Valley Metro, provided an update on RideChoice options, Jill

Sears, Y OPAS, shared information on the YMCA's Outreach Programs for Ahwatukee Seniors, Maria Pina, MAG, provided

information on the Heat Relief Network, and Dawn Hocking, TCH, provided a first-hand experience of providing assistance to individuals experiencing dementia. To view the meeting materials, or for more information about TAP, click [here](#).



### CONTACT CORNER



**Shantel Wyke**

Hello! I'm Shantel Wyke, the Human Services Transportation Intern at MAG. During my internship, I assisted in the coordination of the FTA Section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities grant program as well as several MAG trainings, meetings, and conferences. Recently, I graduated from Arizona State University with my Master's in Sustainability Solutions and hope to continue building my career in the government or nonprofit field. Thank you for all the work you do, and I look forward to making this world a better place with you!

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### FEATURED STORIES

**Stay Safe in Extreme Heat!** In Maricopa County alone, there were 181 heat-related deaths in 2018. In the upcoming weeks of extreme heat, older adults and individuals with chronic conditions should take precautions to stay safe. MAG has partnered with multiple agencies to open hydrating stations across the region. In addition to limiting exercise or outdoor activity between the hours of 11am and 3pm and taking advantage of free air-conditioning by visiting locations like shopping malls and the library, individuals can rest in heat refuge locations and rehydrate. For more information about the region's hydration stations, donation sites, or to become a partner, visit MAG's [Heat Relief Network webpage](#).



Would you like to share a great accomplishment performed by your agency or staff? Submit your stories to [SWyke@azmag.gov](mailto:SWyke@azmag.gov) to be featured here in our next newsletter.

### Upcoming Events

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**All events subject to change. Please confirm time/date for last minute changes.**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
29	30	31	1	2 Therapeutic Options Training 8:30 AM – 5 PM	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Amazing Volunteers Workshop 10 AM	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 CPR / First Aid Training 8:30 AM – 1 PM	28	29	30	31	1

**Do you know of special events others might be interested in attending? Send event information to [SWyke@azmag.gov](mailto:SWyke@azmag.gov) to be featured in the next newsletter. Thank you!**

## RESOURCES

**Section 5310 Grant Program:**  
[Elderly and Persons with Disabilities  
Transportation Ad Hoc Committee](#)  
[Human Services Coordination  
Transportation Plan](#)

**MAG Human Services Transportation:**  
[MAG Connect-A-Ride](#)  
[MAG Transportation Ambassador Program](#)  
[Sub-Regional Mobility Managers](#)

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